UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE DISTRICT OF MASSACHUSETTS

ZHANNA CHIZHIK, Administratrix of the Estate of Grigory Chizhik, Plaintiff,))))	
V.)	DOCKET NO: 04-10106JLT
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SEA HUNT, INC., TROPICLAND)	
MARINE AND TACKLE, INC., and)	
GREGORY ZILBERMAN,)	
Defendants.)	
)	

REPLY OF THE DEFENDANT-IN-CROSS-CLAIM, GREGORY ZILBERMAN, TO CROSS-CLAIM OF TROPICLAND, INC.

Now comes the defendant/defendant-in-Cross-Claim, Gregory Zilberman, and hereby responds to the Cross-Claim of the defendant/plaintiff-in-Cross-Claim, Tropicland, Inc., as follows:

FIRST DEFENSE

The defendant/defendant-in-Cross-Claim, Gregory Zilberman ("Zilberman"), states that the defendant/plaintiff-in-Cross-Claim's Cross-Claim fails to state a cause of action upon which relief can be granted.

SECOND DEFENSE

The defendant-in-Cross-Claim, Gregory Zilberman, responds to the plaintiff-in-Cross-Claim's Cross-Claim paragraph by paragraph as follows:

- 1. The defendant-in-Cross-Claim is without knowledge or information sufficient to form a belief as to the truth of the allegations contained in this paragraph.
- 2. The defendant-in-Cross-Claim is without knowledge or information sufficient to form a belief as to the truth of the allegations contained in this paragraph

- 3. The defendant-in-Cross-Claim admits that he is a co-defendant in the underlying action. The defendant-in-Cross-Claim neither admit nor deny the remaining allegations of this paragraph as the term "Navigator 22" has not been defined.
- 4. The defendant-in-Cross-Claim is without knowledge or information sufficient to form a belief as to the truth of the allegations contained in this paragraph.
- 5. The defendant-in-Cross-Claim admits only that he purchased a vessel from Tropicland. The defendant-in-Cross-Claim neither admit nor deny the remaining allegations of this paragraph as the term "Navigator 22" has not been defined.
- 6. With the exception of the phrase "another friend," which is a characterization of an individual that the defendant-in-Cross-Claim can neither admit nor deny, the defendant admits the allegations contained in this paragraph
 - 7. The defendant-in-Cross-Claim admits the allegations contained in this paragraph.
- 8. The defendant-in-Cross-Claim admits only that plaintiff Chizhik has made certain allegations in her Complaint, and that the Complaint speaks for itself.

COUNT I

(Indemnification – Defendant Sea Hunt, Inc.)

- 9. The defendant-in-Cross-Claim repeats and reaffirms his responses to paragraphs1-8 of this Complaint as if fully set forth herein.
- 10. The allegations contained in this paragraph refer to another party, and therefore no response is required of this defendant-in-Cross-Claim.
- 11. The allegations contained in this paragraph refer to another party, and therefore no response is required of this defendant-in-Cross-Claim.

COUNT II

(Contribution – Defendant Sea Hunt, Inc.)

- 12. The defendant-in-Cross-Claim repeats and reaffirms his responses to paragraphs
 1-11 of this Complaint as if fully set forth herein.
- 13. The allegations contained in this paragraph refer to another party, and therefore no response is required of this defendant-in-Cross-Claim.
- 14. The allegations contained in this paragraph refer to another party, and therefore no response is required of this defendant-in-Cross-Claim.

COUNT III

(Indemnification – Defendant Gregory Zilberman)

- 15. The defendant-in-Cross-Claim repeats and reaffirms his responses to paragraphs 1-14 of this Complaint as if fully set forth herein.
- 16. This Count has been dismissed, therefore no responsive pleading is required. To the extent that a responsive pleading is required, the defendant-in-Cross-Claim denies the allegations contained in this paragraph.
- 17. This Count has been dismissed, therefore no responsive pleading is required. To the extent that a responsive pleading is required, the defendant-in-Cross-Claim denies the allegations contained in this paragraph.

COUNT IV

(Contribution – Defendant Gregory Zilberman)

- 18. The defendant-in-Cross-Claim repeats and reaffirms his responses to paragraphs
 1-13 of this Complaint as if fully set forth herein.
 - 19. The defendant-in-Cross-Claim denies the allegations contained in this paragraph.
 - 20. The defendant-in-Cross-Claim denies the allegations contained in this paragraph.

FIRST AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE

The defendant-in-Cross-Claim incorporates any and all Affirmative Defenses asserted by him in his Answer to the Plaintiff's Complaint, as if asserted against the plaintiff-in-Cross-Claim.

SECOND AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE

The defendant-in-Cross-Claim denies any obligation to provide contribution.

THIRD AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE

The defendant-in-Cross-Claim denies that it is a joint tortfeasor with the plaintiff-in-Cross-Claim.

FOURTH AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE

The defendant-in-Cross-Claim denies any obligation to provide indemnity.

Respectfully submitted, The defendant-in-Cross-Claim, Gregory Zilberman, By his attorneys,

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I, Philip M. Hirshberg, Esquire, counsel for the defendant-in-Cross-Claim herein, Gregory Zilberman, hereby certify that on December 17, 2004, I caused a copy of the above *Reply of the Defendant-in-Cross-Claim, Gregory Zilberman to Cross-Claim of Tropicland, Inc.*, to be served upon the following counsel in the above action, by United States Mail, postage prepaid, in accordance with the Massachusetts Rules of Civil Procedure:

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